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DEVELOPMENT (195) Department

Ms. SERIES.

G.O. No. 130-131

Dated 9th January, 1948

[Despatch Abstract.]

AGRICULTURE - Grow More Food - Five Year Plan for food production relating to Agricultural Department - Scheme No. 9 - Control of pests and diseases of crops - Sanctioned

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Abstract:

AGRICULTURE - Grow More Food - Five Year Plan for food production relating to Agricultural Department - Scheme No. 9 - Control of pests and diseases of crops - Sanctioned.

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

G.O.Ms.No.130, dated 9th January, 1948.

Read the following:-

G.O.No. 4781, Development, dated 30-11-1945.
G.O.No. 2184, Development, dated 16- 5-1947.
G.O.No. 2952, Development, dated 8- 7-1947.
G.O.No.2535, Development, dated 9- 6-1947.
G.O.No. 4631, Development, dated 26- 9-1947

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Read also:-

From the Director of Agriculture, No.L.1.860/47-2, dated 12th September 1947.

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O R D E R:

In connection with the Grow More Food Campaign, the Government sanctioned in G.O.No.4781, Development, dated 30-11-1945, the proposal of the Director of Agriculture to purchase 1,679 A.R.P. stirrup pumps for conversion into sprayers and for stocking insecticides etc. in the Agricultural depots so that it would be easy for the firka demonstration maistries to attend to the control of pests and disease of crops immediately they are noticed and also to educate the farmers on the methods of saving their crops from pest attack. The cost of this scheme was estimated at Rs.57,086/- non-recurring and Rs.1,49,213/- recurring. The late Department of Education, Health and Lands of the Government of India in their letter No.F.20-8/45, dated 21-8-1945 sanctioned a grant of Rs.74,600/- to meet half the recurring cost of the scheme. The Director of Agriculture has reported that there was an unspent balance of Rs.1,29,884/11/- on 31-3-1947 in the sanctioned amount for this scheme. This balance has, however, lapsed with the close of the financial year and will therefore not be available for expenditure in 1947-48 or in subsequent years.

2. A comprehensive scheme for the control of pests and diseases of crop has since been included by Government as Scheme No.9 in the Five Year Plan of Food production relating to Agricultural Department. Under this scheme, it is proposed to purchase sprayers and supply them on loan to ryots. Chemicals and fungicides will also be purchased and sold to ryots at cost price or free of cost or at concessional rates. This comprehensive scheme is a continuation of the earlier scheme mentioned in para 1 above. In G.O.No.4631, Development, dated 26-9-1947 the Government have sanctioned a scheme for the control of rat pests in this Province, particularly in the Tanjore district at a cost of Rs.1,16,000/- recurring and Rs.14,000/- non-recurring. The Govt. have directed that this scheme should be treated as a part of the comprehensive scheme No. 9 in the Grow More Food Five Year Plan mentioned above. The post-war Five Year Plan of this Government also includes a scheme for the purchase of sprayers and fungicides for supply to ryots. In his letter dated 12-9-1947, the Director of Agriculture has proposed:

(i) that the comprehensive scheme for the control of pests and diseases of crops (included in the Grow More Food Five Year Plan) may be sanctioned for execution during 1947-48 at an approximate cost of Rs.60,200/- non-recurring and Rs.82,984/- recurring; and

(ii) that the scheme for the control of rat pests sanctioned in G.O.No.4631, Development, dated 26-9-1947, the scheme sanctioned in G.O.No.4781, Development, dated 30-11-1945 for the purchase of sprayers and stocking insecticides in agricultural depots and the scheme for the control of pests and diseases of crops contemplated in the post-war Five Year Plan may all be merged in the comprehensive scheme No. 9 included in the Grow More Food Five Year Plan.

The Government approve the Director of Agriculture's proposals and sanction an expenditure not exceeding Rs.1,43,184/- (Rupees one lakh forty-three thusand one hundred and eighty four only) for the scheme during 1947-48 as detailed in the Annexure to this order. The Government of India will be addressed separately to meet 50% of the recurring expenditure and the depreciation and interest on capital outlay.

3. The following programme of work proposed by the Director of Agriculture in respect of the comprehensive scheme is approved.

1. Spraying against paddy blast.
2. Treatment of paddy seed with Agrosan G.
3. Spraying against potato blight.
4. Control of diseases of vegetable crops.
5. Spraying against damping off of chillies and tobacco nurseries.
6. Spraying against grape vine mildew.
7. Control of 'Koleroga' disease of arecanut in South Kanara district.
8. Control of rat pests in the paddy fields etc.

The Director of Agriculture is requested to obtain specific sanction of Government if it is found necessary to incur expenditure on the control of their unexpected pests and diseases of crops besides the items outlined above.

4. The expenditure should be debited to a new sub-head of account 'Scheme for the control of pests and diseases of crops under '40.d. Agri. Agricultural Demonstration and propaganda including public exhibition and fairs - I. Ordinary areas - (i) excluding Postwar Reconstruction". The Director of Agriculture is requested to include this item in the supplementary statement of expenditure for obtaining the approval of the Legislature in time. Pending provision of funds, the Accountant-General is requested to admit the expenditure in audit.

(BY ORDER OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR)

W.R.S. Satthianadhan,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Agriculture.
To the Accountant-General, through Finance.
Copy to the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, NEW DELHI.
Copy to the Director of Information & Publicity.
Copy to A.III section.
Copy to Planning & Development (II) Section.
Copy to the Government of India, Ministry of Food (Special Commission Branch, with reference to their letter No.SCB.2411(1), dated 16-6-1947)

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ANNEXURE . . . . . p.t.o.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Development Department.

Letter Ms.No. 131, dated the 9th January 1948

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From

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Development Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of Agriculture, NEW DELHI (With encl).

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Sir,

Sub: AGRICULTURE - Grow More Food - Scheme No. 9 of the Grow More Food Five Year Plan - Sanction of.

Ref: Your letter No.F.9.13/47, GMF, dated 15-10-1947.

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In continuation of this Government's letter No. 76728 A.II/47-5, dated 26th September, 1947, I am diredted to state that the Comprehensive scheme for the control of pests an diseases of crops included as scheme No. 9 of the Grow More Food Five Year Plan relating to Agricultural Department has since been sanctioned - vide proceedings of the Government, No.130, Development, dated 9th January, 1948 (copy enclosed). The cost of the scheme during 1947-48 is estimated at Rs.60,200/- non-recurring and Rs.82,984/- recurring. It will be clear from paras 1 and 2 of the order that it is only a continuation of an existing scheme for which the late Department of Education, Health and Lands of the Government of India have sanctioned, a grant of Rs.74,600/- to meet half the recurring expenditure. The unspent balance of Rs.1,29,884/11/- on 31st March 1947 in respect of the sanctioned funds for the scheme approved in G.O.No.4781, Development, dated 30-11-1945 has lapsed and will not be available for expenditure during 1947-48. The proportionate unspent grant from the Centre in respect of the scheme sanctioned in G.O.No. 4781, Development, dated 30-11-1945 will be surrendered to the Government of India, by the Accountant General, Madras.

As the Government of India have already agreed in principle to meet 50 per cent of the recurring expenditure of the scheme and have also expressed their willingness to share the charges on account of depreciation and interest on capital outlay, I am to request that the Government of India may be so good as to sanction a grant of Rs.49,017/- as detailed below in respect of the cost of the cost of the comprehensive scheme for the control pests and diseases of crops.

Recurring expenditure (50% of Rs.82,980/-)	Rs. 41,492/-
Depreciation and interest on capital outlay (12% of the non-recurring expenditure of Rs.60,200/-)	Rs. 7,525/-
	Rs. 49,017/-

3. I am to request that the sanction of the Government of India may kindly be communicated to this Government as early as possible.

Your obedient servant,
Sd. x x ,
8-12-47

RS/29/12/1953

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ANNEXURE

Recurring:

Expenditure incurred from 1-4-1947 to 30-6-1947 ...	Rs.	211-7-6
2. Cost of copper sulphate, incidental expenditure for spraying renewal of hoses and fungicides and insecticides.	Rs.	80,773- 0-0
	Rs.	80,784-7-6

Non-recurrin

1. Purchase of nozzles, sprayers and dusters in India and from abroad.	Rs.	60,200- 0-0
Grand Total	Rs.	1,43,184- 7-6
or Rs. 1,43,184 roundly.		

Note:

This sum of Rs.1,43,184 includes the following items previously sanctioned.:-

1. Import of specially designed labour saving small power units of spraying machinery from U.S.A. sanctioned in G.O.No.2184, Development, dated 16-5-1947.	Rs.	25,222- 8-0
2. Scheme to popularise the control measures for the eradiction of 'Koleroga' disease of arecanut in South Kanara district sanctioned in G.O.No.2952, Development, 8-7-1947 ...	Rs.	77,275- 0-0
3. Scheme for the control of rat pests in the Province sanctioned in G.O.No.4631, Development, dated 26-9-1947. ...	Rs.	30,000- 0-0
	Rs.	62,497- 8-0

/TRUE COPY/ S. Jayaraman 11.5.54

OFFICE ASSISTANT,
MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

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